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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2008 for the above-identified patent application, Applicant submits the following:

**Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2; and  
**Remarks/Arguments** which begin on page 7.